



# MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION



Compact-Eligible Country Report ★ September 2007

## Proposed Goal

Lesotho's Compact for approximately \$362.6 million over five years endeavors to reduce poverty by safeguarding the health of the population to achieve the productive participation of those of working-age in the economy and to secure the productive participation of future generations. It also aims to enhance the prospects of short-term economic recovery and the long-term viability of private sector led economic growth. Compact activities include: health care infrastructure, urban and rural water infrastructure development and private sector development.

## Update on Progress

- During the due diligence phase which wrapped up in June, MCC teams conducted due diligence missions on gender, health, monitoring and evaluation, economic analysis, property rights and land policy, private sector development, financial management and procurement, environmental and social analysis and infrastructure (including water and sanitation and health infrastructure). Compact Negotiations were successful and were held in Washington in May with attendance from a delegation from the Government of Lesotho which included the Minister of Finance.
- The Lesotho Compact was signed on July 23, 2007 in Washington D.C. by the Minister of Foreign Affairs
- MCC's Deputy Resident Country Director will arrive in country in early September, and the Resident Country Director in early October for the official opening of the MCC field office.

## Compact Status

Status.....Due Diligence

## Compact Information

Compact Amount .....\$362 million

Compact Duration .....5 years

## Country Information

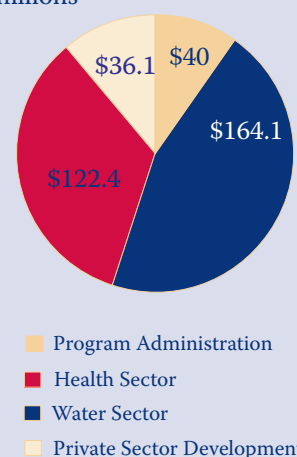
Population ..... 1.8 million

GNI Per Capita ..... \$960\*

## Compact Process

Stage	Completed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eligibility Notification	5-06-2004
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proposal Receipt	3-01-2005
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposal Receipt	6-29-2006
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Opportunity Memo	7-20-2006
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Congressional Notification on Compact Negotiations	4-20-2007
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Investment Memo	5-24-2007
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Board Approval	6-27-2007
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compact Signing	07-23-2007
Entry Into Force	
Initial Disbursement	

## Proposed Key Sectors in millions



\*World Development Indicators, World Bank, 2005